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Agency: Department of Transportation/Public Facilities

Project Title:

Glacier Highway - Back Loop Road Intersection Safety Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$5,000,000 House District: Juneau Areawide (3-4)

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

A roundabout at the Back Loop Wye intersection, along with sidewalks and other pedestrian and vehicle safety improvements.

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$5,000,000

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

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There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The preferred engineering alternative in the Department of Transportation & Public Facilities' Auke Bay Corridor (ABCOR) study identified several near-term improvements to protect life, safety, and property, while enhancing the flow of traffic and commerce in the Auke Bay area.

The Back Loop Wye intersection with Glacier highway has elevated accident and injury rates. It is currently substandard in terms of alignment, sight distances, signage, and pedestrian safety corridors.

The intersection, adjacent to a commercial and pleasure-boat harbor, retail establishments, University of Alaska buildings, an elementary school, and a residential area, gets heavy pedestrian traffic.

The Auke Bay Corridor study is available online at http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/projectinfo/ser/abcorr/project_timeline.shtml .

Project Timeline:

Design work should occur during CY 2008. Right-of-way and environmental permits will likely take until 2009. The project should bid in spring 2010.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes X No	

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